1	2	3	4	5	6	7
9.	Chennai	Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry	0.00	0.00	0.51	0.51
10.	Kanpur	Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal	9.05	0.00	0.00	9.05
11.	Kolkata	West Bengal, Sikkim, Andaman and Nicobar Islands	12.15	0.88	0.10	13.12
12.	New Delhi	Delhi, part of up and Haryana	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01
13.	Panaji	Goa	0.20	0.65	0.42	1.27
14.	Region not indicated	Region not indicated	11.54	0.00	0.00	11.54
		GRAND TOTAL	154.38	1,695.49	993.55	2,843.42

Foot Note:

1. Includes 'equity capital component' only.
2. The above State-wise inflows are classified as per RBI's Region-wise inflows furnished by RBI, Mumbai.

Adherence of labelling and labour standards by exporters

883. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has requested the farmers and exporters that they should develop high standards at home and must adhere to the labelling and labour standards required to be met by importing countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the response so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) to (c) No, Sir. However, compliance with the legitimate requirements of importing countries, including relevant standards and regulations, is necessary for trade to take place.

Import of Palm oil

884. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Palm oil import has been increasing;

(b) if so, the details of the quantity of imports made from different countries for the last three years, year-wise and country-wise;

(c) whether it is a fact that excise duty on imports has been revised periodically;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the import of Palm oil adversely impacted on the indigenous edible oil sector; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) Import of Palm oil (crude and refined) in last 3 years was as follows:—

Years	Qty. in lakh MT	Value in Rs. crores
2006-07	27.66	5629.13
2007-08	35.15	6712.07
April-August*	19.06	3747.97

*Latest Available

Source — DGCIS

Country wise import details given in the reply is enclosed as a Statement. (*See* below).

(c) and (d) There is no excise duty on import of palm oil. However, import of palm oil is subject to levy of Customs Duty. The details of Customs Duty changes on import of palm oil is as under:—

Sl. No.	Date from which applicable	Applicable rate of basic Customs duty on Crude Palm Oil (*ad valorem*)	Applicable rate of basic Customs duty on Refined Palm Oil (*ad valorem*)
1.	24.01.2007	60%	67.5%
2.	13.04.2007	50%	57.5%
3.	23.07.2007	45%	52.5%
4.	21.03.2008	20%	27.5%
5.	01.04.2008 to date	Nil	7.5%

(e) and (f) Domestic production of edible oils is insufficient to meet the domestic demand. Imports are permitted at low duty to ensure adequate availability of the item to the consumers in the country.

Statement

Country-wise and year-wise import details during last three years

(A) 151110 Crude Palm Oil and its fractions.

Sl. No.	Country	Values in Rs. lacs			Quantity in thousand kgs.		
		2006-2007	2007-2008	Apr.-2008 – Aug.-2008	2006-2007	2007-2008	Apr.-2008 – Aug.-2008
1.	Argentina		117.60			500.00	
2.	Cambodia	493.51	190.72	476.21	2437.00	1055.19	2599.00
3.	China P RP	209.20			1000.00		
4.	Germany		178.13			1000.00	
5.	Indonesia	409896.18	538581.52	272981.17	2039575.88	2900979.50	1429047.72
6.	Malaysia	90248.61	60711.63	20190.90	447554.97	311797.28	98949.00
7.	Morocco	261.50			1250.00		
8.	Singapore		2025.80			8738.00	
9.	Sri Lanka DSR	1216.76	1676.46	837.65	5956.00	8560.02	4289.42
10.	Thailand	8909.37	8241.75	11929.19	43855.00	41478.06	63848.00
11.	Unspecified		467.31			2554.00	
	TOTAL	511235.12	612190.92	306415.11	2541628.85	3276662.05	1598733.14

(B) 151190 Refined Palm Oil and its Fractions

1.	Bangladesh PR	412.33	521.30	119.19	1904.30	2153.49	587.57
2.	Bhutan	12179.21	15868.47	726.95	34565.71	36973:07	1435.50
3.	Brazil		0.04			0.20	
4.	France		1.65			8.33	
5.	Indonesia	32810.40	34981.17	47018.62	157740.00	163166.79	212644.59
	Korea RP			0.67			1.34
6.	Malaysia	6136.15	7639.72	20261.93	29844.93	35923.82	91786.66
7.	Singapore	5.89		254.73	21.48		1229.00
8.	Sri Lanka DSR	129.58			659.00		
9.	U Arab EMTS	5.00	1.69		17.90	8.00	
10.	USA		1.18			3.02	
11.	Unspecified		0.86			1.54	
	TOTAL	51678.55	59016.09	68382.10	224753.32	238238.26	307684.66

Source: DGCI and S